

Week of January 9, 2022

- 1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
- 2. Talk with your group about what you know about the book of 1 Corinthians going into this new sermon series. What has been important or impactful to you about the book? What questions do you have?
- 3. What did you learn about genres of literature in Scripture? Why is that important?
- 4. The writings of Paul in this book were intended for the church at Corinth. How do we know when those instructions are meant for those people at that time, and when those should be taken as instructions for us today?
- 5. As you listened to the cultural background of the city of Corinth, what similarities and differences do you find between the culture in Corinth at the time and our current culture?
- 6. What do you think would be part of the themes, instructions, encouragements, or warnings in a letter from an apostle to Valley Bible Church?
- 7. Write a biblical definition for the word "saint", as seen in verse 2. It occurs 68 times in Scripture, so use a concordance or other resource for other references (you could start with Acts 9:32, Ephesians 4:12, and Philippians 4:21).
- 8. What significance is there in Paul's attributing grace and peace in verse 3 from God as Father and from Jesus as Lord?

Challenge yourself to read the entirety of 1 Corinthians this week. On average the book takes around one hour to read.











GRACIOUS GREETINGS

1 Corinthians 1:1-3 / Ben Orchard / January 9, 2022

1 Corinthians Background and Introduction		
Greetings! (1 Corinthians 1:1-3)	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S RETREAT 2022

Save the Date for the Men's Retreat set for April 22-24, 2022 at Ross Point in Post Falls.

LIFE GROUPS

Last day to sign up for a Life Group! Our Winter Session begins this week. Visit the table in the portico for more information.

NEW SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

The Sunday Morning Prayer meeting now begins at 7:30 am in room 130.

VBC'S SAFETY TEAM VOLUNTEERS

The Safety Team ministry is dedicated to facilitating a safe worship environment and experience. They need volunteers willing to serve a rotating schedule of Sunday morning



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

VBC Women's Ministries strives to provide women with opportunities to grow in their relationship with God and with other women at VBC. They oversee Titus 2 Mentorship, Blanket Makers, Women's Fellowship Events, Women's Breakfast and Bible Study, as well as the kitchen and reception teams. If you'd like to get involved, learn more at spokanevbc.org/women.

over the age of 18 who attend required trainings and pass a background check. For more information, please contact Chad Dokken at chaddokken1@gmail.com.

services, along with occasional special events. Volunteers need to be mature believers

BOOT AND GLOVE DRIVE FOR UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We are partnered with University Elementary School and they are in need of some winter items for the kids. Below is a link to our Amazon Account where you can help purchase winter gloves, snow pants and cloth masks that are needed for the kids. As you order items please make sure the shipping address is correct and items are going to Valley Bible Church. Please purchase the items by January 31. If you want more info or have any questions please contact Ben Doehle at benjamin@spokanevbc.org. Amazon link: https://amzn.to/3G16tn0

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A twelve-week support group for anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, designed to help understand and encourage healthy mourning in a safe Christian environment. The class is open to anyone. Meets Thursday evenings starting February 3 here at VBC. \$30 for materials, pre-registration is required by January 27. Contact Teresa Gay (509-385-1113) for more info and to register.

QUILT 'TIL YOU WILT - BLANKET MAKERS

The Blanket Makers are holding their annual Quilt 'Til You Wilt January 21-22. 9am-7pm on Friday, 9am-3pm on Saturday. You are welcome to bring a project and join us. Quilters, scrapbookers, and crochet/knitters are all welcome. Brown bag lunch, Friday will have a group dinner. Contact Billie Hersh (509-892-5576) with questions.

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.

GIVING REPORT

General: December \$96,904 YTD \$1,065,129, January \$21,836 / YTD \$21,836 Building Fund: Given \$1450